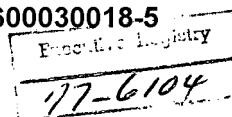




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Dr. Alexander Flax
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Dear Dr. Flax:

Although the Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel has only met twice, I am impressed with the dedication and role the Panel has demonstrated.

The purpose of the Panel is well founded and its deliberations and advice will improve the Agency's ability to accomplish its mission. The Agency faces many problems and threats which I am confident the Panel can help solve.

For myself and the Agency, let me say thank you. I firmly believe that the Agency is well served by having the advice of such dedicated and talented citizens, and I leave with a good feeling that the Agency will be supported by such a distinguished and capable group. I heartily endorse the continuation of the Panel.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

George Bush

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